SENATOR DAWN BUCKINGHAM VIDEO

NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE 2017

HELLO FRIENDS THIS IS DR. DAWN BUCKINGHAM, YOUR STATE SENATOR FOR DISTRICT 24.

WITH 2017 COMING TO AND END, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OVER THE PAST YEAR.

2017 WAS A YEAR OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENT, AND I KNOW I COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU.

AS WE CONTINUE PREPARING FOR 2018, I WOULD LIKE TO LOOK BACK ON SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PAST 12 MONTHS.

UPON BEING SWORN-IN IN JANUARY, I MADE HISTORY AS THE FIRST REPUBLICAN FROM TRAVIS COUNTY TO EVER SERVE IN THE TEXAS SENATE, AS WELL AS THE FIRST WOMAN TO REPRESENT SENATE DISTRICT 24.

IN MARCH, I WAS HONORED TO BE INVITED TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT TRUMP AT THE WHITE HOUSE TO DISCUSS NATIONAL HEALTH CARE REFORM.

I WAS ALSO SELECTED FOR THE 2017 CLASS OF EMERGING LEADERS BY A NATIONAL GROUP THAT RECOGNIZED LEGISLATORS FOR THEIR POTENTIAL AND ABILITY TO IMPACT THEIR INDIVIDUAL STATES.

DURING THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION, I PARTNERED WITH 98 PERCENT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE ON AT LEAST ONE PIECE OF LEGISLATION.

BUILDING THESE RELATIONSHIPS HELPED ME KEEP MY PROMISES AND DELIVER RESULTS ON YOUR BEHALF.

AS A RESULT, I WAS HONORED TO BE NAMED CO-MOST VALUABLE FRESHMAN AFTER PASSING A TOTAL OF 39 PIECES OF LEGISLATION, WITH 100 PERCENT SIGNED INTO LAW BY GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT.

THESE INCLUDED BILLS TO:

- PROVIDE TAX RELIEF
- REDUCE THE SIZE AND SCOPE OF GOVERNMENT
- ELIMINATE WASTE AND ABUSE
- CUT UNNECESSARY REGULATION

- PROTECT PUBLIC SAFETY
- DEFEND VETERANS
- STREAMLINE HEALTHCARE
- AND ENCOURAGE JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SINCE SESSION ENDED I HAVE REMAINED BUSY.

WE NOW HAVE DISTRICT OFFICES OPEN IN BELTON, ABILENE, AND KERRVILLE TO SERVE YOU.

AND AT THE CAPITOL, I HAVE RECEIVED SEVERAL IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS BY LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR DAN PATRICK, INCLUDING A HISTORIC POSITION ON THE SUNSET COMMISSION.

I AM PROUD TO BE THE FIRST LEGISLATOR TO SERVE ON SUNSET AFTER PREVIOUSLY SERVING AS A PUBLIC MEMBER. THIS PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WILL HELP ME IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL AREAS WHERE WE CAN STREAMLINE AND IMPROVE OUR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

AS WE LOOK AHEAD, 2018 IS ALREADY SHAPING UP TO BE A BUSY YEAR.

MY PROMISE TO YOU IS THAT I WILL CONTINUE WORKING AS HARD AS I CAN EVERYDAY ON YOUR BEHALF FOR A BETTER DISTRICT 24 AND A BETTER TEXAS.

THANK YOU, AND GOD BLESS.